IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1771
ABRAMS) Examiner: Singh, Arti R.
Serial No.: 09/621,830) <u>DECLARATION OF</u>) L. BROWN ABRAMS
Filed: July 24, 2000) <u>UNDER 37 CFR § 1.98</u>
Atty. File No.:4811-9)
For: "FLOCKED TRANSFER AND ARTICLE OF MANUFACTURE INCLUDING THE FLOCKED TRANSFER"))))
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	

Dear Sir:

I, Louis Brown Abrams, being over the age of eighteen, declare as follows:

- 1. I am the President and founder of High Voltage Graphics, Inc. ("High Voltage"). I founded High Voltage in 1985. I founded High Voltage's sister company, Fiberlok, in 1979. Fiberlok is a licensee of the above application and is the manufacturer of a commercial embodiment of the invention disclosed in the above-identified application. I receive compensation from and am an equity owner of both High Voltage and Fiberlok. I am also an inventor of the above-referenced invention.
- 2. This Declaration is being submitted in connection with an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97 for the above-referenced patent application, under 37 CFR § 1.98.
- 3. A decorative article has been produced for many years, which consists of a carrier sheet attached to first ends of flock fibers, a latex, typically acrylic, adhesive attached to the oppositing second ends of the flock fibers, a pre-formed polycarbonate film attached to the latex adhesive, and a paper carrier attached to the pre-formed polycarbonate film. The article is

manufactured by applying the liquid latex to the pre-formed polycarbonate film, flocking the liquid latex adhesive, drying the adhesive, cleaning the flock (removing free flock fibers from the dried adhesive), and applying a release liner to the free ends of the flock using a pressure sensitive adhesive.

4. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like, if so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the subject application or any patent issuing thereon.

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